

Some firsts for P.B.J.C. -

- 1- First public junior college in Florida
- (2- First junior college approved for minimum foundations funds - 1947 -
- 3- First to host and suggest association of Junior College presidents which was the beginning of JAPJC, now JAPCC -
- 4- First teacher re-certification classes approved by State Dept. to be offered in a junior college.
- (5- First ^{SC} legislative appropriation for permanent campus - (1956)

First woman V.P. ??

Others? Civilian Pilot Program by FAA?

Section I - On the Hill ('33-'48)

Ch 1 - ~~#~~ 1933-1936. How it all began -

Youngblood, Watkins - Depression - P.Gs -
U. of F. - Advisory Bd - Service Clubs -
Scholarships - Beginning Faculty - First
classes - Early students - Transferring.
Problems - "Foolishing" - First grad class.
Certif of Grad.

Ch 2 - 1937-1941. Dr. Leonard becomes Co. Supt.
Student Govt - Wilson, Bishop
First F.T. - Increased enrollment + grad +
Faculty - Drive for accreditation - Drive
for library - Aviation Program 1939-1943? -
Degree, diploma - Association with Good
Samaritan Hosp, Nursing classes. Association
with Norton Gallery of Art (classes) - N.Y.A.³⁷
First paper, First Beachcomber -
Enrollment growth, purposes, first catalog.
Clubs - Speakers - Pearl Harbor.
Oldest student - Mrs. Florence Myers 72 - at that time -
1941 - Rules changed - Mined getting accredited this year -

Ch. 3 - 1941-1948. WWII - Growth stymied - Trauma
of danger, deaths of our boys - Flag -
Student Union Bldg - ESM~~NT~~ and Accelerated
F.T. Aviation Training - Phi Theta Kappa founded -
Final drive for accreditation, reputation
established - Beachcomber - Keeping GPs informed
Post-war influx of veterans - "Bursting at
the seams" - Changes in Advisory Bd (15 to 5)
Alumni Assn Founded (1944) - First "Galleon"
Feb. 1948 Move to Morrison Field (deactivation,
County, repairs) -

46-47 First time had
to limit enrollment (300)
acct influx vets -

1947 - Minimum Found.
Dec 1942 - Full accreditation by San Juan
42-43 - Advis Bd \$1000 to College + School
furnish Student Union Bldg -

Section II At the Field (48-51)

1948-1950

Ch 4 ^{classes start Feb 7 -} Move and settling. Loss of Watkins as Dean. Enrollment + Faculty growth - Freedom - Dr. Leonard F.T. President (48) Mr. Watkins, Co. Supt. Glynn ^{Duncanson}, others added. Money + upkeep - "Country Club College" (dorms, dining area, pool, tennis courts) - Phi Theta Kappa active ("Mardi Gra" parade, booths, etc; weekly radio program PB & C news) Campus politics - Dream of perm. bldgs on campus - FAPTC beginnings (four presidents meet first time on campus) - First teacher training classes certif. by State Dept -

water shows
fashion shows

Ch 5 1950-51

Please to
Congress

Korean Conflict - Sch Bd complaints on ^{expense} funds for upkeep, repairs - ~~Gov't~~ Gov't to reactivate field - Sch. Bd (2 members) leads ~~to~~ movement to close the college - Fight to survive - Offers from Lake Worth and Lake Park - Alumni Asst - Pass the wastebaskets - for money - F. P. ad in Post-Times ~~to~~ Organized - Lake Park offer accepted, repairs begun - Newell commencement speaker, Retires. Ceremony in Park -

→ Rescruitment of WWII GIs called to Korea, leave college again, families -

Columbian students - special classes problems
Graham left for service (May reserve)
No Certif of Graduation after June 1951
only AA or AS -

Section III Lake Park Campus (51-56)

Ch. 6 - ¹⁹⁵¹⁻¹⁹⁵⁴ ~~1951-1954~~ Cut in faculty, students, office staff
Bldg. conversion - "Sardines" - Disappointed
townspeople - limited athletics - Quality
of teaching - Handicap of "discard" equipment -
Plays - Drama honorary - Burt Reynolds,
Monte Markham, (Terry Garrity?)

Ch. 7 - ¹⁹⁵⁴⁻¹⁹⁵⁶ ~~1954-1956~~ Wattenbarger's doctoral thesis - State Survey
Commission - Russell Morrow sponsors
Junior College State Educ. Bill - More junior
colleges to be added. Sou. Assn. approves
re-accreditation after visit despite facilities.
Next door church used, later their new
Rec. S.S. Bldg. - enrollment keeps climbing
Classes spill into halls - Morse retires -
P.B. Post announces \$1,047,000
appropriated by Legislature for new
Campus. Co. Commissioners donate 14 acres -
Dedication ceremony - Leonard, Gross,
Albertson and Co Chrm(?) handle shovels -
"Little Orphan finds perm. home" - Packing
+ moving but not for last time! Temp-
orary location June-Sept 1956. Lake Worth
Town Hall - Gross retired -
Montoya dies -

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(Section IV Home At last! (1956-83)

Ch. 8 1956-58. New bldgs. not ready — no A.C., water, sewage but we move in for registration in library amid heat, sweat, tears Sept. 17 — Water + Sewage in time for classes — First bldgs completed — Dedication April? — Watkins — Youngblood's sister? — Speaker? Leonard's retirement announced — Manor brought in as Eve Director 57-58 & Train Bldg + Enrollment growth — FAPTC development. New junior colleges — Growth of Eve Classes —

(Ch 9 1958-1969 — '58 Banner Year. Celebrate 25th Anniversary — Send-off luncheon honors Leonard in May? Installation of Dr. Manor in Fall. Dr. Reitz, U of F, main spkr — Watkins, Wattenbarger, other notables attending — Duncan history. 1968 — separation from Co Sch System — Own Board, ~~and~~ under State. Presidents Council separate from FAPTC — Instructors, then other employees members —

(Old order gone — Faculty retirements: Alchertson, Crozier —? — Activities period cancelled, organizations become semi-active — Change from two semesters to two shortened terms and long spring-summer — 3 graduations in auditorium — no more Fresh, soph classes — Specialized programs expand — Eve Classes grow —

(FATH estab. at Boca, Wattenbarger turns over JC directorship to Lee Henderson, returns to U of F faculty — FAPTC wielding more influence — More national recognition for Fla System.

1969-1978

Ch 10 - Integration - Vietnam War -
War, war, when will it end? — Trauma
more extreme than WWII or Korea among
students. Miraculously we escape the
protest marches, bldgs damaged, etc. —
Growth under Manor — changes —
New depts — News Bureau helps with
problems and community recognition —
Athletic competition with some superior
teams — Satellite campuses established;
Glades, North, South. Faculty Union.
Dr. Manor retires —

Ch. 11 - 1979-1983 - Ed Eissey becomes Pres.
Becomes political influence with FAPCC,
Fla. Legislature.

Grad Senior Citizens welcomed to campus,
Special courses set up for Women, —
New Dimensions, etc.

Eissey decides to push for special
millage to update equipment, make
repairs, etc. Speaker Bureau set up.
Millage passes. (Amount?) Upgrades
News Bureau — College is constantly
in news — Once we struggled for
least recognition, now the populous
knows we have a junior college here.
Satellite campuses, senior citizens, workers
trained in degree + refresher courses —
all spread the word. Athletics, Music, Art, Drama
50th Anniversary plans progressing
for 1983 —